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EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY RECORD

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Patrick Lewis (3) _____

(2) Thomas Cunningham TC (4) _____

Date of interview 1-15-2004

Type: ☐ Telephonic ☐ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☒ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, brief description: _____

Agreement ☐ was reached with respect to some or all of the claims in question. ☒ was not reached.

Claims discussed: 1, 3, 5-15, 21-23

Identification of prior art discussed: Int. J. Biol. Macromol., 1996 Oct.; 19(3): 157-63.
MPER 2121.6,

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: _____

Mr. Cunningham gave an overview of the invention. Mr. Cunningham & the examiner discussed possible ways of overcoming the rejections based on prior art. Mr. Cunningham argues (use of different strains of bacteria) product by process limitations. The examiner stated that he would consider the arguments and discuss further with SPE.
(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

Unless the paragraphs below have been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW (e.g., items 1-7 on the reverse side of this form). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, then applicant is given one month from this interview date to provide a statement of the substance of the interview.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

☐ Since the examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action.

Examiner's Signature